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SUBJ: FY-76 IVP

1. POST NOMINATES CARLOS CROES PRIETO, CITY EDITOR AND ASSISTANT EDITOR-IN-CHIEF EL UNIVERSAL (THE INFLUENTIAL BUSINESS-MAN'S NEWSPAPER), FOR A 21-DAY INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM STARTING EARLY JULY. AS CITY EDITOR, CROES IS THE NO.2 MAN AT EL UNIVERSAL AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR NEWS ASSIGNMENTS AND PLACEMENTS. HE IS ALSO KEENLY INTERESTED IN AGRICULTURE, CATTLE-RAISING, AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT. HIS WEEKLY AGRICULTURAL PAGE IS WIDELY-READ AND HAS EARNED HIM THE REPUTATION OF BEING THE MOST SERIOUS AGRICULTURAL WRITER IN THE COUNTRY. POST CONSIDERS A US. VISIT AT THIS TIME WOULD PROVE HIGHLY ADVANTAGEOUS, PROVIDING OPPORTUNITY FOR CONSULTATION WITH AGRICULTURAL EXPERTS AND WRITERS, AND OBSERVATION OF GOVERNMENT AND UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS.

2. PRELIMINARY BIODATA AS FOLLOWS: CARLOS CROES PRIETO, BORN JANUARY 22, 1939, AT CORO, FALCON, VENEZUELA; CITY EDITOR AND ASSISTANT EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, EL UNIVERSAL DAILY NEWSPAPER; SPECIAL INTERESTS INCLUDE AGRICULTURE, CATTLE-RAISING, AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT; JOURNALISM STUDIES AT UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA; TWO PREVIOUS VISITS TO US. WERE OF LIMITED DURATION (NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON IN 1973); LIMITED KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH REQUIRES ASSIGNMENT OF AN ESCORT-INTERPRETER; CLEARANCE RECEIVED.

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3. PROPOSED PROGRAM WOULD INCLUDE CONSULTATIONS AT US.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTAL STATIONS;  
MEETINGS WITH AGRICULTURAL EDITORS; VISITS TO SELECTED SUMMER  
SESSIONS OF LEADING AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES; SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY  
IRRIGATION PROJECT; A STATE FAIR (MONTANA, NORTH DAKOTA  
DELAWARE APPEAR ON JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS); A SPECIAL BI-  
CENTENNIAL EVENT IS THE INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE USA EXHIBIT AT  
THE HENRY FORD MESEUM.

4. COMPLETE BIODATA AND ADDITIONAL PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS WILL  
BT FURNISHED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE VISITOR  
ONCE HIS NOMINATION IS APPROVED. A CABLED CONFIRMATION WOULD  
BE APPRECIATED SINCE ANTICIPATE CROES CAN COMBINE HIS VISIT  
WITH LEAVE SCHEDULED FOR EARLY JULY. PROPOSED ETA JULY 7.  
( FOR INFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT THE JULY 10 DATE  
ASSIGNED TO IV SEIJAS IS AVAILABLE SINCE HE HAS NOW INDICATED  
HE PROPOSES TO POSTPONE HIS VISIT UNTIL SEPTEMBER)  
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